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## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-8 remain pending in the application. Claims 5-8 have been amended.

The purpose of this preliminary amendment is to remove multiple dependent claims from the application to reduce filing costs. Consideration of the application as amended is requested. It is submitted that this Amendment places the application in suitable condition for allowance; notice of which is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

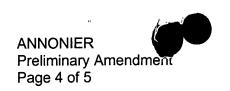
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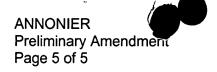
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## ATTACHMENT FOR SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

The following is a marked up version of each replacement paragraph and/or section of the specification in which underlines indicates insertions and brackets indicate deletions.

- 5. (AMENDED) A device according to <u>claim 1</u> [any one of claims 1 to 4], characterised in that there are several said further containers communicating with a common said mixer (6);
- and in that the control means modulates the proportional flow rate of each of the different additives in response to the amount of solid product.
- 6. (AMENDED) A device according to <u>claim 1</u> [any of claims 1 to 5], characterised in that a flow of gas is provided to the spraying means to assist the spraying at a constant rate.
- 7. (AMENDED) A device according to <u>claim 1</u> [any one of claims 1 to 3], characterised in that, in use of the device, liquid is pumped by the diluent pump (3) from the diluent container (1) as far as a diluent flow meter (4) and then introduced into the associated diluent regulation valve (5) before being introduced into the mixer (6);
- in that liquid is pumped by the or each additive pump (3) from the additive container (2) as far as a flow meter (4) for the additive and then introduced into an additive regulation valve (5) before being introduced into the mixer (6);
- and in that the mixture of diluent(s) and additive is sprayed by an injector (7) with a constant flow rate assisted by a flow of air (8).
  - 8. (AMENDED) A device according to claim 1 [any one of claims 1 to 5],



characterized by several spraying systems (7) each able to be adapted to the throughput of solid product.